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CHAFEE ANNOUNCES \$3.4 MILLION IN HUD GRANTS FOR CITY OF PAWTUCKET

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee today announced that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is releasing more than \$3.4 million in housing and community development funding for the City of Pawtucket.

"This federal assistance will go a long way toward helping the City of Pawtucket tackle its affordable housing needs," said Senator Chafee. "With continued community revitalization, Pawtucket's neighborhoods will be strengthened and residents will benefit from these expanded opportunities."

The City of Pawtucket's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for fiscal year 2003 includes housing rehabilitation, public services, public facilities and economic development.

Grant assistance includes a \$2,528,000 CDBG allocation; an \$883,484 grant from the HOME Investment Partnership Program to assist in the production of affordable rental and homeowner housing; and \$86,000 from the Emergency Shelter Grant program to be distributed to private non-profit organizations for assistance to emergency shelters for the homeless.